

Nalco Docket No. 7502 CO2  
Customer No. 49459

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 to 50 (cancelled)

Claim 51 (currently amended): A composition including a reaction product of one or more trivalent metal salts other than chromium salts, an acid phosphorous compound, and an aluminum hydroxy chloride compound, said composition comprising:

- a) a ferric chloride solution being from about 38 wt. % to about 42 wt. % active ferric chloride;
- b) ~~one or more acid phosphorous compounds selected from the group consisting of: a phosphorous acid solution being about 70~~ 85 wt. % phosphorous acid, a phosphoric acid solution, a monobasic or dibasic sodium phosphate solution, a monobasic or dibasic potassium phosphate solution, a phosphonic acid solution, and a dimethyl phosphate solution;
- c) an aluminum chlorohydrate solution being ~~about 50~~ 48 wt. % to 52 wt. % in water;
- d) optionally additional water; and
- e) optionally either epichlorohydrin-dimethylacrylate polymer or polydimethyl diallyl ammonium chloride polymer.

Claims 52 to 54 (cancelled)

Claim 55 (new): The composition of Claim 51, including from 3 to 30 parts by volume of the ferric chloride solution; 0.5 to 10 parts by volume of the phosphorous acid solution; and from 5 to 20 parts by volume of the aluminum chlorohydrate solution.

Claim 56 (new): The composition of Claim 51, including 10 parts by volume of the ferric chloride solution; 3 parts by volume of the phosphorous acid solution; 5 parts by volume of the aluminum chlorohydrate solution; 1 part by volume of a 30 wt. % calcium chloride solution; and 2 parts by volume of a 50 wt. % epichlorohydrin-dimethylacrylate polyamine solution.